



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/686,725 Confirmation No. 8286

Applicant : Yicheng LONG et al. Filed : October 17, 2003

Title : NIR SPECTROSCOPY METHOD FOR ANALYZING

CHEMICAL PROCESS COMPONENTS

Art Unit : 2878

Examiner: : Christopher G. Webb

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.